



March 19, 2014

Honorable State Senator Jim Marleau
Committee Chair
Michigan State Senate Health Policy Committee
PO Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Senator Marleau:

The ***Michigan Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons*** (MiSEPS) is in 'support' of Senate Bill 853, the proposed amendment to 1978 PA 368, Entitled "Public Health Code"; Article V, New Part 54D -- Eyecare Consumer Protection Act

MiSEPS supports this legislation based on the protection of public health it provides. High quality vision and eye care is essential to maintain. New technology provides assistance to licensed professionals when determining prescriptions for glasses and contact lenses. The doctor is a critical part of determining the most accurate prescription and to screen for vision threatening disorders. Relying solely on automated technology, and removing the doctor from the process, will result in poor quality of care for the general public. Therefore, MiSEPS supports this legislation in order to protect the public health of the eye.

Most Sincerely,

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